

REMARKS

Claim 6 remains pending in the present application. No claim amendments have been made. Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been added. It is therefore believed that this Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 is fully responsive to the Office Action dated September 4, 2003.

As to the Merits:

As to the merits of this case, the Examiner relies on the newly applied reference of Tokuno (U.S. Patent No. 5,892,289, cited previously by the Examiner in the Action dated October 26, 2001), in setting forth the following rejection:

Claim 6 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Tokuno.

This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 6 calls for *each of the pads per se having a deformed surface with which a corresponding one of the bump contacts*.

Tokuno fails to disclose or fairly suggest this feature since Tokuno fails to disclose that the mounting pads 4 of Fig. 1C have a deformed surface with which a corresponding one of the bumps 3 contact.

In addition, Tokuno fails to disclose that the mounting pads 4 are deformable.

Thus, Tokuno also fails to disclose the features of claim 6 concerning *an end of each of the bumps has a diameter smaller than other portions of the bumps so as to facilitate deformation of the pad when bumps are pressed against the pads and to form a space in which the insulating adhesive is filled, and wherein contradiction of the insulating adhesive maintains joints of the bumps and the pads, said joints being made by deformation of the pads.*

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance which action, at an early date, is requested.

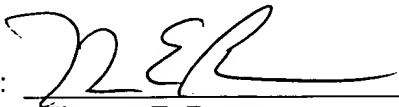
If, for any reason, it is believed that this application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number below to expedite the disposition of this case.

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In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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